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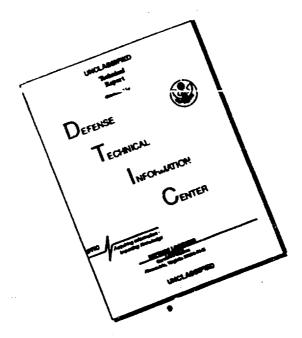
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#### Summary

One of the first reports, directed at the study of movement of ice, attempted to measure a rigid body motion based on noisy observations at two distinct times of observable points on the rigid body. The noise makes the measured locations subjects to the error and may lead to missing some of the points which are not distinguishable from one another.

Computer intensive methods appeared in three reports. One involves resampling methods for time series. A second involves the use of simple programs which are computer intensive to provide useful, if not optimal estimates of parameters of complex models by relatively simple means. A third involves the numerical solution of Bayes sequential decision problems applied to the bioequivalence problems.

Some work was done and will soon be completed on an astronomical problem involving apparent superluminal motion.

Recently a good deal of effort has been devoted to some problems from molecular biology.

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